

Appl. No. 10/039,570
Amendment dated June 23, 2008
Reply to Office Action dated April 22, 2008

REMARKS

In the Office Action, the U.S. Patent Examiner has presented a well-reasoned statement for rejection. The thoughtful and tidy Office Action communication has been well-received and considered. The helpful assistance of the U.S. Patent Examiner is noted.

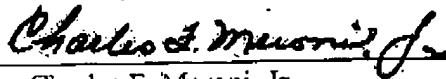
In response to the Office Action, Applicants have elected to amend the claims to more succinctly and precisely claim the invention they regard as their invention. In this regard, the Applicants direct the U.S. Patent Examiner's attention to Figure No. 1 in the subject application. There it may be seen that the truck assemblies each comprise a raked fork member for positioning the wheels centrally relative to the vertical pivot axes. Notably, the pivot axes lie outside the diameter of the wheels.

Such placement of the wheels is believed to be superior over the prior art in that the same effects a more smooth turn under shifts in the rider's weight. Neither the Rue disclosure, nor the Kimmel disclosure appears to teach such a construction. The independent claims in this application have been amended to reflect this structural limitation. Accordingly, it is believed that this amendment places the subject application into more proper condition for allowance, and such action is kindly requested.

If, after a review of this Amendment, issues remain which may be resolved by a telephone interview, the U.S. Patent Examiner is cordially invited to call the Applicants' undersigned attorney.

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